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 Humpleman, et al.)
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 A HOME NETWORK AUTO-TREE)
 BUILDER) November 3, 2000
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner
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 Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In an attempt to fully comply with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.56, and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.97-1.99, Applicants wish to bring to the attention of the United States Patent Office the following reference(s).

The information listed herein below may not qualify as prior art, and should not be considered prior art merely from Applicants' citation herein. 37 C.F.R. 1.96(h).

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed prior to the mailing of a first Office Action 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3).

U.S. Patent(s)

Patent No. 6,081,519 by Petler; Filed March 25, 1996; Title: IN-HOME COMMUNICATION SYSTEM



Patent No. 6,005,861 by Humpleman, Filed March 3, 1999; Title: HOME MULTIMEDIA NETWORD ARCHITECTURE

Patent No. 5,886,732 by Humpleman, Filed November 22, 1995; Title: SET-TOP ELECTRONICS AND NETWORK INTERFACE UNIT ARRANGEMENT

Patent No. 5,982,445 by Eyer, Filed October 21, 1996; Title: HYPERTEXT MARKUP LANGUAGE PROTOCOL FOR TELEVISION DISPLAY AND CONTROL

Patent No. 5,938,726 by Reber, Filed October 17, 1996; Title: APPARATUS FOR READING AN ELECTRONICS NETWORK NAVIGATION DEVICE AND A PERIPHERAL FOR USE THEREWITH

Patent No. 5,956,487 by Venkatraman, Filed October 25, 1996; Title: EMBEDDING WEB ACCESS MECHANISM IN AN APPLIANCE FOR USER INTERFACE FUNCTIONS INCLUDING A WEB SERVER AND WEB BROWSER

Documents

System Architecture And Implementation of a Cebus/internet Gateway, Peter M. Corcoran and Jose Desbonnet, Dept. of Electronic Engineering, University College, Galway, , Consumer Electronics, 1997. Digest of Technical Papers. ICCE., International Conference.

CEBus Network Access via the World-Wide-Web, Peter M. Corcoran and Jose Desbonnet Consumer Electronics, 1996. Digest of Technical Papers., International Conference.

Browser-style interfaces to a home automation network, Peter M. Corcoran and Jose Desbonnet, Dept. of Electron. Eng., Univ. Coll. Galway, Ireland, Consumer Electronics, IEEE Transaction, 1997.

Copies of these documents are attached herewith, and are listed on the PTO

Form 1449.

If the Examiner believes a telephone interview will help further the prosecution of this case, Applicants respectfully request that the undersigned attorney be contacted at the listed telephone number.



Respectfully submitted,

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